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Re: Application of Denis PENNINCKX, Gabriel CHARLET, Ludovic NOIRIE
METHOD OF ASSIGNING CARRIER FREQUENCIES IN AN OPTICAL
TRANSMISSION NETWORK
Assignee: ALCATEL
Our Ref. Q80066

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 16 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract and 3 sheets of drawings. A copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment is submitted, along with an Information Disclosure Statement.

**PLEASE SEE THE ATTACHED PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT BEFORE
CALCULATING THE FEE**

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

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| Total claims | 8 | - | 20 | = | 0 | x | \$18.00 | = | \$0.00 |
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| TOTAL FEE | | | | | | | | | \$770.00 |
| Assignment Recordation Fee | | | | | | | | | \$40.00 |
| TOTAL FILING FEE | | | | | | | | | \$810.00 |

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$770.00 and \$40.00 are attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

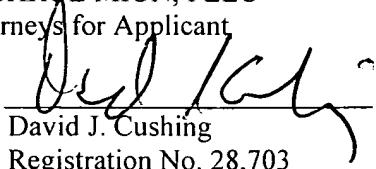
Priority is claimed from:

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The priority document will be filed at a later date.

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